

The Temple Aero Modeler

The Official Newsletter of the Temple Aero Modelers Radio Controlled Aircraft Club

November 2017



Happy Holidays



This month's meeting will be held Monday, November 27th at 7:30pm at the Ronald McDonald House Meeting Room in Temple



CLUB INFO

*Club Meeting:
November 27th*

*Don Cullison
Memorial Toy Fly:
December 3rd*

*Christmas Parade:
December 4th*

*Christmas
Banquet:
December 11th*

2017 Officers

President: Larry Macie
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Treasurer: Buster Hinkle
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Safety Officer: Doug Staines
541-2915

Field Marshal: Brady Sherwood
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Temple Aero Modelers Event Schedule

Nov 27 Club Meeting 7:30pm

Dec 3 Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly
1:00pm

Dec 4 Temple Christmas Parade 6:30pm

Dec 11 Christmas Banquet 6:30pm

Club business meetings are held on the last Monday of each month, with the exception of May (pulled up one week because of Memorial Day), October (pulled up one week because of Halloween) and December (replaced by the Christmas Banquet).

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On The Cover

David Beck, our newest club member, is shown out enjoying a nice day at the flying field recently. David and his wife (Cindy) recently moved to Texas from northern California.

Photo by Frank Sodek



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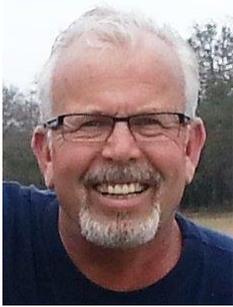
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President's Report

by *Larry Macie*



Hello everyone,

I am going to keep this short and sweet. I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season. This is the time for family and friends to come together. Enjoy your time, for time is short. Have a very wonderful Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

See you at the flying field.

Larry Macie

Club President hilaireg@aol.com

Meeting Minutes (October 30, 2017 meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Vice-President Mark Cullison because our President, Larry Macie was unexpectedly called in to work late. Larry was able to make the latter half of the meeting.

New Members/Visitors – New member David Beck and his wife Cindy were present

Minutes from the meeting held in September were accepted as published in the October newsletter. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Brady Sherwood, seconded by Paul Milton

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was read by Buster Hinkle, Treasurer. A motion to accept the report was made by Fred Huber, seconded by John Redwine

Safety Officer's Report – Safety Officer was not present; Mark referred everyone present to Doug's article in the newsletter

Field Marshal's Report – Brady reported that there are grassburs in some areas that escaped the control methods; the need for adding Sta-Bil to the gas tanks of the mower and tractor (Brady will take care of that). The need for oil and filter changes were mentioned, however this will be deferred to the start of mowing season next spring. Frank mentioned that he attempted to control the young mesquite trees at the south end of the field

Announcements – Frank mentioned that the final Wednesday evening training session will occur on November 1st

Old Business

Fun Fly: Buster reported on the Fun Fly that was supposed to have been held on October 1st, however only two pilots showed up so the event had to be cancelled

Night Fly: Six pilots attended the Night Fly held on October 13th, under good weather and lighting (no moon) conditions

Christmas party: Bobby reported that he was able to reserve the Family Life Center at his church (Western Hills Church of Christ, the same location as the past several years) for \$100

Club shirts: Brady reported that the club shirts are being screen printed and will be ready soon. The total cost for the 30 shirts came to \$521.70

New Business

Veterans Day Night Fly: another Night Fly is scheduled for the evening of November 10th, which is the day before Veterans Day. The event will start at 6pm.

Toy Fly: Mark reported that the Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly will be held on December 3rd beginning at 1pm. Entry fee is one unwrapped toy.

Fred brought up the idea to have the club hold a big bird / warbird / large scale fly-in next year along with a mini airshow; Larry assigned Fred to develop the plan for the event, we'll continue discussing during upcoming meetings

Frank asked about the club participating again in the Temple Christmas Parade. Paul hadn't made a final decision, however he was still open to it if he garnered enough support/help with preparing the float. Paul passed around a signup sheet, he will let us know when he makes a final decision.

Officer nominations: so far the only officer slots that have received volunteers are for Treasurer (Buster Hinkle) and Safety Officer (Doug Staines).

Trip Reports - Paul Milton and Buster Hinkle attended a full-scale gathering at the REKLAW fly-in

Blunder Awards – There were no blunders that occurred this month

Meeting adjourned 8:18 pm

Minutes recorded and reported by *Frank Sodek* for *Mark Cullison*, who was presiding over the meeting

Important Note from your Newsletter Editor

This is the final newsletter for 2017 - your next club newsletter will arrive during the fourth week of January. I hope you all have a terrific Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

Regards,
Frank Sodek

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Treasurer's Report

by *Buster Hinkle*



Beginning Balance: \$3,185.44

Deposits: None

Expenses:

Fun Fly trophies. ... \$37.89
 Ronald McDonald House ... \$25.00
 Expenses: \$62.89

Balance October, 2017: \$3,122.55

Safety Officer's Report

By *Doug Staines*



The year is drawing to an end and with it the last newsletter and Safety Report for 2017. Looking forward to the New Year as it always brings challenges and changes. At this time I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone and their families a Great Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I often write about things that I have observed or were told about. In one of my past articles I stated the importance of establishing and following routines to prevent incidents or safety issues. Recently a member told me about an incident that could have resulted in crashing his plane.

After preparing his plane on one of the tables in the covered pit area, he took his plane to the taxiway but had to return to the pit area to get something. On his return he noticed one of the wing retaining bolts for his plane laying on the table. Apparently he had been conversing with someone while preparing his plane, this distraction broke his routine and he forgot one of the wing bolts.

Here's another observation that will serve as a reminder of the importance of doing something: a member was assembling his plane for flying and when he went to attach one of the wing halves to the side of the fuselage the aileron servo extension was missing. Apparently the last time he took the wing apart he must have pulled the extension free separating it from the servo lead.

The problem is as many of us know, the servo lead was not long enough to extend out the wing half, hence the need for extensions. Fortunately for this member the end of the servo lead was right at the opening and with a few fingers and forceps he was able to attach an extension. This could have been prevented if the servo lead and extension were tied together, a safety clip used or even using glue on the union. Can you imagine what

would have happened if the extension pulled free while in flight?

In closing, if you have not renewed your AMA Membership and Club dues please do so as soon as possible. Have a great Holiday Season, see you at the field and as always, be safe and above all enjoy our sport.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Staines
 Club Safety Officer
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Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly

By *Frank Sodek*

On Sunday, December 3rd we will be holding the annual Don Cullison Memorial Toy Fly beginning at 1PM. Entry fee for the event is one unwrapped toy (in prior years several pilots have brought a few more) which Mark will distribute to local toy collections for needy children. This event is for a really good cause, so come on out with some toys even if Mother Nature isn't cooperating for us with good flying conditions.

TAM Christmas Banquet

By *Frank Sodek*

The final event for this year will be our Christmas Banquet, to be held on Monday, December 11th beginning at 6:30 PM. It will be held at the same location as prior years (the gym in the Family Life Center at the rear of Western Hills Church of Christ – see the map on page 6). You are all most aware that this area along the Interstate is still under heavy construction, however according to Bobby Zikes, the front entrance to the church from the IH35 southbound service road is open. You can also work your way around to the back of the church from Airport Road to access the gym's parking lot.

The party starts with a pot-luck meal, which is always full of delicious-tasting goodies (the club will provide drinks and utensils). After the meal we'll have a very brief business meeting (which includes officer elections for next year if necessary), then Buster will lead us in the always-popular Chinese Gift Exchange. Everyone wanting to participate in the gift exchange (which should be everyone attending – it's loads of fun!) should bring a wrapped gift (normally in the \$10-\$15 cost range) to join in the fun of opening/exchanging/stealing the gifts.

This is our premier family event – it is an evening of great fellowship and fun for all, so please bring all your family and friends to join in the fun!

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Temple Christmas Parade

By Frank Sodek

During our last meeting there was discussion regarding the possibility of the club entering a float again in this year's Temple Christmas Parade, which will be held on Monday, December 4th (the day after our annual Toy Fly). At that time Paul had not decided if he wanted to expend all the effort again that is required to pull off an event like this successfully, but he stated he would consider the idea if he got support from club members. He passed around a signup sheet for those wanting to help prepare the float and/or participate during the parade.

Paul has now decided to proceed with the club's participation in the Christmas Parade. He has completed the first required step, which is to submit the entry form before the deadline passed. He has also completed an initial implementation of his concept for this year's float, for which the parade has the theme "Rocking Around the Christmas Tree" (see the photo below).

We'll be discussing all the necessary tasks required to pull this event off at this month's meeting, so it is important for every member to attend and provide their support/ideas.



Here's the start of our float for the Christmas Parade! Dusty will get his wings after arriving at the staging area. The trailer sides will have skirting and lights applied. The A-frame supports the two crossed 2x4s that are mounted on a bearing, to allow rotation. The end of each arm will have a lit night flyer hanging from it.

Capsule Sermons

Fear defeats more people than any other thing.

Real difficulties can be overcome; it is only the imaginary ones that are unconquerable.

Retirement Congratulations to Steve Meyer!

Club member Steve Meyer and his father Richard both retired recently after working 53 years together in their family-owned heating and air conditioning business, Bell Air Conditioning Inc. The business's new owners held a celebration at Harris Community Center in Belton for the Meyer's family and their friends. Several club members attended the party to participate in the fun and partake in the goodies. **Attention Steve:** we expect to see a lot more of you now out at the flying field!



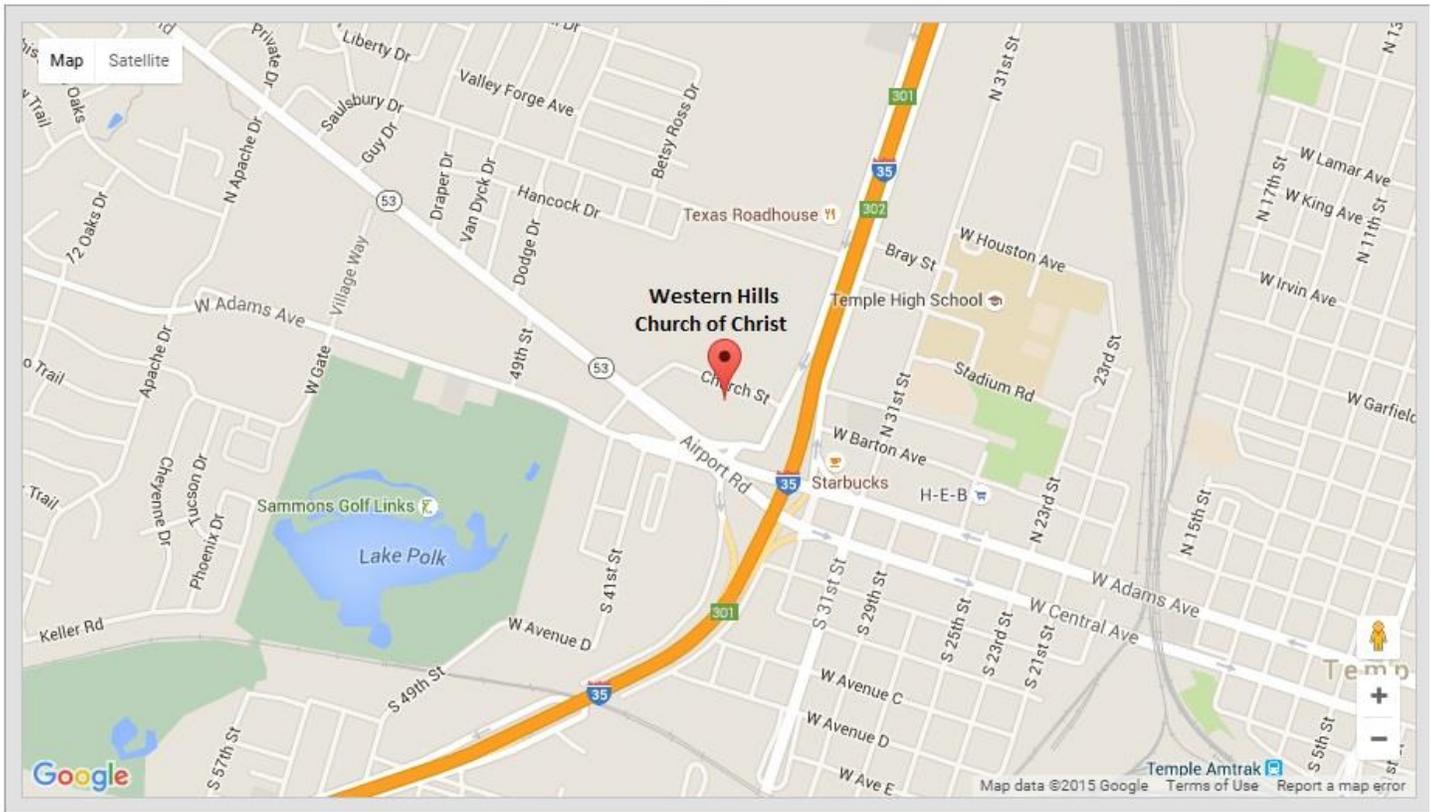
Club member Steve Meyer (right) is shown with his father Richard at their joint Retirement Party held recently.

Photo by Paula Meyer

2018 Club Dues

Club dues for next year are coming due. See the dues form on page 7 of this newsletter for mailing to Buster, or else bring it with your check to the next meeting.

Christmas Banquet Location Map



Western Hills Church of Christ is located at 210 North General Bruce Drive (which is IH35). The front entrance to the church on the IH35 service road is open, but the area is still under heavy construction. The entrance behind the church at Purvis Industries and one on the Airport Road access road are alternate ways to get to the church building.

Everyone needs to park in the large parking lot in the rear of the church. The Family Life Center is the rectangular shaped, two-story building on the back of the church building. Please enter through the door located in the southwest corner of the building.



Merry Christmas!

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Temple Aero Modelers

To join the Temple Aero Modelers or renew your dues, please fill out this form, enclose a check, and mail to:

Temple Aero Modelers

c/o Buster Hinkle
11591 Pritchard Rd.
Temple, TX 76501

Make check payable to:
Temple Aero Modelers

(check or cash can also be brought to the next club meeting)

Name: _____ AMA#: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Radio Channels that you fly: _____

Phone: (____) ____-____ (Home)
(____) ____-____ (Work)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount enclosed for:

	Full Year*
Adult member dues (18 and over)	\$60.00 _____
Additional family member	\$30.00 _____
Senior member dues (over 65)	\$30.00 _____
Junior member dues (under 18)	\$10.00 _____
Associate member	\$30.00 _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

*For new members only – if joining in the first quarter (Jan-Mar): 100% of full year dues; second quarter (Apr-Jun): 75% of full year dues; third quarter (Jul-Sep): 50% of full year dues; fourth quarter (Oct-Dec): 25% of full year dues.

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